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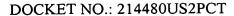
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TITLE OF INVENTION

AUTONOMOUS ZONE FORMING COMMUNICATION APPARATUS AND AUTONOMOUS ZONE FORMING METHOD APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US SATO Hijin et al. 🗸 Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include itens (5), 3.  $\boxtimes$ (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31). 4. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2)) 5. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🛛 has been communicated by the International Bureau. Ü is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6 An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. 🛛 is attached hereto. ijī b. □ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). H Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) 114 are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. 🗆 have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. 🗆 have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 11. A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).  $\boxtimes$ 12. A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). Items 13 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 13. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15.  $\boxtimes$ A FIRST preliminary amendment. 16. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 17. A substitute specification. 18. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 19. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. 22. Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail 23. Other items or information: Request for Consideration of Documents Cited in International Search Report **Notice of Priority** PCT/IB/304

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## REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF DOCUMENTS CITED IN INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that applicant(s) request that the Examiner consider the documents cited in the International Search Report according to MPEP §609 and so indicate by a statement in the first Office Action that the information has been considered. When the Form PCT/DO/EO/903 indicates both the search report and copies of the documents are present in the national stage file, there is no requirement for the applicant(s) to submit them (1156 O.G. 91 November 23, 1993).

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